

## The City of Redmond

Incorporated in 1912, Redmond is the sixteenth largest city in the State of Washington with a population of 49,890. Redmond encompasses an area of 16.95 square miles, and is located east of downtown Seattle, bordering Lake Sammamish.

Redmond has a Mayor/Council, non-partisan form of government. The Mayor and each of the seven City Council members are elected directly by the people to staggered four-year terms. All represent the community at-large rather than individual districts or areas of the City. Redmond also has nine citizen advisory boards and commissions.

The City of Redmond provides a full range of municipal services, including police and fire protection, emergency medical services and disaster preparedness, planning and zoning, street maintenance and construction, parks and recreation, and general administrative services. The City also provides water, wastewater, and stormwater management services.

Redmond enjoys a diverse and growing economic base. Redmond is home to some of the major hightech firms in the country, including Microsoft, Nintendo of America, Honeywell International, and Medtronic Emergency Response Systems. Redmond is also the headquarters of Genie Industries, and is the regional headquarters of Cingular, now the new AT&T. Redmond has a total employment base of approximately 81,814 employees and also enjoys a strong and diversified retail sector.